

Murphy, American Soybean Association, Canton, Mississippi; Joe Mencer, Lake Village, Arkansas, on behalf of the USA Rice Federation and the US Rice Producers Association; Duane Rhodes, Tyson Foods, Springdale, Arkansas; and Brent Roggie, National Grape Cooperative Association, Westfield, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 3656, to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to improve the reporting on sales of livestock and dairy products.

OHIO CLASS BALLISTIC MISSILE SUBMARINES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower, with the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a closed briefing on the Navy's plans for the next generation Ohio class ballistic missile submarine, after receiving testimony from James N. Miller, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Policy, Sean J. Stackley, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition, and Vice Admiral John T. Blake, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Integration of Capabilities and Resources, all of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Jonathan Woodson, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, and Neile L. Miller, of Maryland, to be Principal Deputy Administrator, and Anne M. Harrington, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, both of the National Nuclear Security Administration, both of the Department of Energy, and 4,300 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

USE OF DISPERSANTS IN DEEP WATER HORIZON OIL SPILL

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee with the Subcommittee on Oversight concluded a joint oversight hearing to examine the use of oil dispersants in the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill, after receiving testimony from Paul Anastas, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Research and Development, Environmental Protection Agency; David Westerholm, Director, Office of Response and Restoration, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Ronald J. Kendall, Texas Tech University Institute of Environmental and Human Health, Lubbock; David C. Smith, University of Rhode Island Graduate School of Oceanography, Narragansett; Edward B. Overton, Louisiana State

University School of the Coast and Environment, Baton Rouge; and Jacqueline Savitz, Oceana, Washington, DC.

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY FRAUD

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded a hearing to examine social security disability fraud, focusing on case studies in Federal employees and commercial drivers licenses, after receiving testimony from Gregory D. Kutz, Managing Director, Forensic Audits and Special Investigations, Government Accountability Office; and Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner, Social Security Administration.

FOR-PROFIT SCHOOLS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine for-profit schools, focusing on the student recruitment experience, and undercover testing to observe marketing practices, after receiving testimony from Gregory D. Kutz, Managing Director, Forensic Audits and Special Investigations, Government Accountability Office; David Hawkins, National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC), and Michael S. McComis, Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC), both of Arlington, Virginia; and Joshua Pruyn, Denver, Colorado.

GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO A WMD TERRORIST ATTACK

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Terrorism and Homeland Security concluded a hearing to examine government preparedness and response to a terrorist attack using weapons of mass destruction, after receiving testimony from Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General, and James A. Baker, Associate Deputy Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice; Steward D. Beckham, Director, Office of National Capital Region Coordination, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security; Colonel Randall J. Larsen, USAF (Ret.), Executive Director, Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferation and Terrorism; and Michael J. Frankel, Executive Director, Commission to Assess the Threat to the U.S. from Electromagnetic Pulse Attack, McLean, Virginia.

IMPEACHMENT TRIAL OF JUDGE G. THOMAS PORTEOUS, JR.

Impeachment Trial Committee (Porteous): Committee held a hearing to hear arguments on pretrial motions in the Impeachment Trial on the Articles Against Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr.